and constructing said railroad, the money specified in section two of said act, ratified the twelfth of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three: Provided, in exchange therefor the said company or persons shall deliver to the said Treasurer the bonds of either of the counties of Alexander, Wilkes, Caldwell, Ashe, Alleghany or Watauga, running thirty years before maturity at six per cent. per annum, the face value of which shall equal the amount so received from the State Treasurer as aforesaid.

Sections seven, eight and nine repealed.

SEC. 6. That sections seven, eight and nine in said act, ratified the twelfth of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, be stricken out.

Penitentiary to furnish one hundred convicts.

SEC. 7. The Board of Directors of the State Penitentiary shall furnish to the company or persons constructing the railroad herein provided for, one hundred convicts, upon the application of the county commissioners of either of the counties of Alexander, Wilkes, Caldwell or Ashe, said convicts to be used by said company or persons in grading or constructing said railroad upon the following terms and conditions, to-wit: the company or persons working said convicts shall pay ten and one-half dollars per month to the State for every convict worked on said road: *Provided*, the appropriation of convicts under this act shall not interfere with appropriations of convicts made by the State prior to the ratification of this act.

How used and paid for.

Repealing clause.

Prior appropriation of convicts

not interfered with.

. Sec. 8. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 9. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times, and ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1885.